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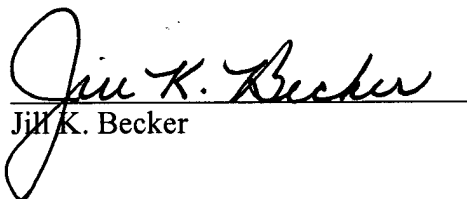
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Respectfully submitted,

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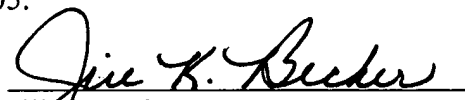
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Sir:

The following Statement of Relevance is submitted with the accompanying Supplemental  
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Electronic conference system to participate in a conference in the  
executing state of the same application as a computer to continuously  
advance the conference even in the case of an interrupted or newly  
connected computer by providing an electronic conference supporting  
device.

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Computer network system in which a user can participate in the general purpose application shared by a computer network.

Full text copies of the art cited, or the pertinent portions thereof, are enclosed. It is respectfully requested that this art be considered by the Examiner in the above-entitled application and made of record therein. The information provided and references enclosed herewith shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other art than that identified exists.

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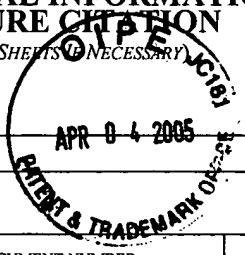
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	BA	06-077958	03/18/1994	Japan	H04L	12/18	X		X
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